Dissertation Completion Fellowships

The Office of Graduate Fellowships & Awards
Florida State University
U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH) - Dissertation Fellowships
January 15 (anticipated)
Dissertation Fellowships support scholarly research and writing among qualified civilian graduate students preparing dissertations in the history of warfare.

Mary Isabel Sibley Fellowship
January 17
Awarded alternately in the fields of Greek and French. Must be unmarried woman 25-25 years of age who has completed all doctoral requirements except the dissertation.

American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy Minority Fellowship Program
January 20 (anticipated)
Fellowship for doctoral students enrolled in a Marriage and Family Therapy doctoral program who have completed all required pre-dissertation core courses.

American Meteorological Society Graduate Fellowship in the History of Science
Deadline: May 7
For PhD students in the dissertation writing stage. Carries a $15,000 stipend to support one year of research.

Harry Frank Guggenheim Dissertation Fellowships
February 1
Fellowships are designed to contribute to the support of the doctoral candidate to enable him or her to complete the dissertation in a timely manner and are only appropriate for students approaching the final year of their Ph.D. work. Questions that interest the foundation concern violence and aggression in relation to social change, intergroup conflict, war, terrorism, crime, and family relationships, among other subjects.

Harry S. Truman Library Dissertation Year Fellowship
February 1
Dissertation Year Fellowships that are intended to encourage historical scholarship of the public career of Harry S. Truman or the Truman era. This fellowship is intended to free a doctoral student from teaching or other employment to facilitate completion of his or her dissertation.

Miller Center National Fellowship
March 15
Funds scholars completing dissertations that employ history to shed light on American politics and public policy, foreign relations and the impact of global affairs on the US, media and politics, and the role of the presidency in shaping American political development.

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Awards
Deadline: October 4 (Geography and Spatial Sciences); February 29, 2016 (Sociology)
Doctoral dissertation improvement grants to promote scientific research, advance theory, facilitate education & training, and enhance the capabilities of current & future researchers.

Joseph L. Fisher Dissertation Fellowships
February 20 (anticipated)
Fellowships for doctoral dissertation research on issues related to the environment, natural resources, or energy. Supports graduate students in the final year of their dissertation research.

American Association of Social Workers Foundation Eileen Blackey Doctoral Fellowship
March 1 (anticipated)
Fellowship for social work doctoral candidates who are engaged in dissertation research in welfare policy and practice.

Mellon Scholars Program in African American History
March 1 (anticipated)
Dissertation fellowship designed to increase the participation of scholars from underrepresented backgrounds and others in the field of African American history prior to 1900. Fields: Humanities, History, African American Studies

American Society for Theater Helen Krich Chinoy Dissertation Fellowships
April (anticipated)
Assist Ph.D. candidates with the expenses of travel to national and international collections to conduct research projects connected with their dissertations.

Beta Phi Mu Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship
March 15
Awards for doctoral students who are working on their dissertations in Library and Information Science, Information Studies, Informatics, or a related field.

Joan and Stanford Alexander Award
January 15 (anticipated)
Two grants of $5,000 each for doctoral candidates working on dissertations that concentrate on photography.

Institute for Supply Management Doctoral Dissertation Grant Program
January 31 (anticipated)
This program exists to encourage and develop doctoral students interested in procurement, supply management and supply chain management to pursue and complete their dissertation research in these fields of study. The program welcomes applications from doctoral students in supply management and closely related areas.
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Dissertation Completion Fellowship
April 1
SHAFR will make two, year-long awards in the amount of $25,000 each to support the writing and completion of the doctoral dissertation. Applicants should be working on a topic in the field of U.S. foreign relations history or international history and must be current members of SHAFR.

North American Conference on Business Studies Dissertation Fellowship
April 1 (anticipated)
Supports dissertation research in the British Isles on any topic of British (including Scottish, Irish and Imperial) history or British Studies. Applicant must need to travel to the British Isles for the purpose of dissertation research.

Fahs-Beck Fund for Research and Experimentation Doctoral Dissertation Grant Program
November 1 (anticipated)
Grants up to $5000 to help support dissertation expenses of doctoral students whose studies have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about problems in the functioning or well-being of children, adults, couples, families, or communities, or about interventions designed to prevent or alleviate such problems.

Sociologists for Women in Society
April 1 (anticipated)

Barbara Rosenblum Cancer Dissertation Scholarship: Scholarship is designed to encourage doctoral research on women’s experience of breast cancer and other reproductive cancers, as well as the prevention of these cancers. The scholarship also supports efforts to make sociological research on these topics available to the public.

Beth B. Hess Memorial Scholarship: Scholarship is awarded to a dissertation writing PhD student who has studied for at least one full academic year at a two-year college in the U.S., before transferring to complete a BA.

Esther Ngan-Ling Chow and Mareyjoyce Green Dissertation Scholarship: Scholarship offers support to women scholars who are from underrepresented groups and are studying concerns that women of color face domestically and/or internationally.

American Musicological Society Harold Powers World Travel Fund
April 15 (anticipated)
Intended to encourage and assist Ph.D. candidates, in all fields of musical scholarship to travel anywhere in the world to carry out the necessary work for their dissertation or other research.

Dissertation Grant in Cold War History
March 25 (anticipated)
$3,000 grant to a graduate student in history or related fields working on a dissertation in the area of Cold War military history. Proposals are welcome in all subject areas, including international security affairs, military strategy, leadership, and operations.

Dissertation Research Grants in Historic Preservation
On hold
Provide Ph.D. candidates in historic preservation-related disciplines with the opportunity to complete a dissertation that either expands the scholarly impact of one or more completed historic preservation projects or advances the practice of historic preservation.

Society for Research in Child Development Patrice L. Engle Dissertation Grant
June 30 (anticipated)
Provides support for students interested in a career in global early child development.

General Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Memorial Dissertation Fellowship
May 1, 2017 (anticipated)
A $10,000 dissertation fellowship. Topics in U.S. military and naval history, as well as history and history-based studies in the social and behavioral sciences, with a direct relationship to the history of the United States Marine Corps will be considered.

Fulbright—Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Program
April 5 (anticipated)
Funds individual doctoral students who conduct research in other countries, in modern foreign languages and area studies for periods of six to 12 months.

Institute for Humanities Research Dissertation Fellowships
Deadlines vary
Support for graduate students who are devoting themselves to writing during the time of the award. Fellowship recipients cannot hold teaching assistantships or other employment during the award period. The applications will be evaluated for academic excellence, as well as the likelihood of completion according to the proposed schedule.

Florida Space Grant Dissertation and Thesis Improvement Fellowship
May 21 (anticipated)
The NASA Florida Space Grant Consortium (FSGC) plans to award Master’s Thesis and Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Fellowships in areas of space science and engineering. Proposals must align with the topics of interest to NASA. These grants provide up to $5,000 in supplement funds for items not normally available from the student’s university or other sources.
American Education Research Association-MET Dissertation Fellowship Program
May 16 (anticipated)
Support for graduate students in education research to conduct secondary data analysis using the Measures of Effective Teaching (MET) Longitudinal Database.

McKnight Dissertation Fellowship
January 15 (anticipated)
The McKnight Dissertation Fellowship Program is designed to address the underrepresentation of African American and Hispanic faculty at colleges and universities in the State of Florida by increasing the pool of citizens qualified with Ph.D. degrees to teach at the college and university levels. McKnight Dissertation Fellowships are awarded to selected African American and Hispanic Ph.D students who are engaged in excellent research in STEM disciplines.

Network of Schools of Public Policy, Affairs, and Administration Dissertation Award
June 1 (anticipated)
Recognizes significant research completed by a doctoral candidate in the field of public policy, affairs, or administration.

Military Suicide Research Consortium Dissertation Completion Award
February 1 (anticipated)
Dissertation completion award for doctoral students whose dissertation director is a current member of the MSRC. The awards are intended to provide necessary support for completion of a doctoral dissertation on a topic of relevance to the Consortium.

American Institute of Indian Studies Junior Research Fellowships
November 15
Specifically designed to enable doctoral candidates to pursue their dissertation research in India.

Clayton Fellowship for Dissertation in Marketing and Related Fields
October 22 (anticipated)
The Marketing Science Institute is pleased to announce the 2016 Alden G. Clayton competition for the best doctoral dissertation proposals on important marketing subjects. This annual competition is named in honor of former MSI president Alden G. Clayton, who retired in 1986 after more than a decade of leadership at the Institute.

American Psychological Association Dissertation Research Award
September 1 (anticipated)
The purpose of the APA Science Directorate’s Dissertation Research Award program is to assist science-oriented doctoral students of psychology with research costs.

AHIMA Foundation Dissertation Support Scholarship
September 1
Support for doctoral students who are at the ABD stage in health information, health informatics, or a program related to the HIM discipline.

The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Dissertation Research Grants
October 15
Stuart L. Bernath Dissertation Research Grant
Grant intended to help defray the expenses encountered in the writing of the dissertation by students working on dissertations dealing with some aspect of U.S. foreign relations history. Applicants for this award will be considered automatically for the Holt, Gelfand-Rappaport-LaFeber, and Bemis grants.

W. Stull Holt Dissertation Fellowship
Fellowship intended to defray the costs of travel necessary to conduct research on a significant dissertation project for students whose dissertation deals with some aspect of U.S. foreign relations history. Applicants for this award will be considered automatically for the Stuart L. Bernath, Gelfand-Rappaport-LaFeber, and Bemis grants.

Lawrence Gelfand – Armin Rappaport – Walter LeFeber Dissertation Fellowship
Fellowship intended to defray the costs of dissertation research travel for students actively working on dissertations dealing with some aspect of U.S. foreign relations history. Applicants for this award will be considered automatically for the Stuart L. Bernath, Holt, and Bemis grants.

Samuel Flagg Bemis Dissertation Research Grant
Fellowship to help defray the costs of domestic or international travel necessary to conduct research on significant scholarly projects for students actively working on dissertations dealing with some aspect of U.S. foreign relations history. Applicants for this award will be considered automatically for the Stuart L. Bernath, Holt, and Gelfand-Rappaport-LaFeber grants.

National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship
October 7
Seeks to encourage a new generation of scholars from a wide range of disciplines and professional fields to undertake research relevant to the improvement of education. Supports individuals whose dissertations show potential for bringing fresh and constructive perspectives to the history, theory, analysis, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world.
World Politics and Statecraft Fellowship
October 8
Grants to support PhD dissertation research on American foreign policy, international relations, international security, strategic studies, area studies and diplomatic and military history. The fellowship's objective is to support the research and writing of policy-relevant dissertations through funding of fieldwork, archival research and language training.

Global Religion Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships
October 17
Fellowships are intended to promote among promising, young North American scholars the social scientific study of contemporary religions around the globe, especially in the “global south,” beyond the North Atlantic world (i.e., not the U.S., Canada, and Western Europe). They also intend to help better integrate the study of religion into mainstream social issues.

Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women's Studies
October 15
The Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellowship in Women's Studies encourages original and significant research about women that crosses disciplinary, regional, or cultural boundaries. Previous Fellows have explored such topics as transnational religious education for Muslim women, the complex gender dynamics of trans identity management, women's electoral success across racial and institutional contexts, women's sports, militarism and the education of American women, and the relationship between family commitments and women's work mobility.

Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships
Please visit website for deadlines
ACLS invites applications for the Mellon/ACLS Dissertation Completion Fellowships, which support a year of research and writing to help advanced graduate students in the humanities and related social sciences in the last year of PhD dissertation writing.

Luce/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art History
October 27
ACLS invites applications for the Henry Luce Foundation/ACLS Dissertation Fellowships in American Art designated for graduate students in any stage of PhD dissertation research or writing. Ten fellowships are available for a non-renewable, one-year term beginning between June and September 2017 for the 2017-18 academic years.

Dumbarton Oaks Junior Fellowship
November 1
Fellowships for students who have fulfilled all preliminary requirements for the PhD or appropriate final degree and will be working on a dissertation or final project at Dumbarton Oaks under the direction of a faculty member at their own university. Eligible fields include Byzantine Studies, Pre-Columbian Studies, Garden and Landscape Studies, and Humanities.

American Association of University Women (AAUW) American Dissertation Fellowship
November 1
Fellowships for women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks. Candidates are evaluated on the basis of scholarly excellence, quality and originality of project design, and active commitment to helping women and girls through service in their communities, professions, or fields of research.

Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships
November 15
Dissertation stage support for doctoral students whose work offers significant potential for advancing academic scholarship related to ethics and/or religion.

Ford Foundation Fellowship Program Dissertation Fellowships
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ACLS Robert H. N. Ho Family Foundation Dissertation Fellowships in Buddhist Studies
November 15
Working with the Ho Family Foundation, ACLS offers an articulated set of fellowship and grant competitions that will expand the understanding and interpretation of Buddhist thought in scholarship and society, strengthen international networks of Buddhist studies, and increase the visibility of innovative currents in those studies.

Jennings Randolph Peace Scholarship Dissertation Program
November 26
Fellowships to advance research that contributes to a wider understanding of how to manage conflict and build sustainable peace effectively.

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UNCF-Merck Graduate Science Research Dissertation Fellowships
Please visit website for deadline
Open to African American students in the fields of life sciences, physical sciences, and engineering who are engaged in and within 1-3 years of completing their dissertation research and enrolled full-time in a Ph.D. or equivalent doctoral degree program.
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